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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT NO. 7

WHITE HOUSE PLS PASS SAN CLEMENTE FOR EAGLEBURGER FOR SECY  
KISSINGER

FOR SISCO

SITUATION IN CYPRUS AS OF 0600 (EDT) JULY 19

THE SITUATION IN CYPRUS. IN CONTRAST TO THE RELAXED MOOD OF  
THE FIRST TWO DAYS OF THE COUP, THE TURK CYPRIOT DEFMIN TOOK  
AN EXTREMELY BELLIGERENT LINE ON JULY 19, CLAIMING THE  
GREEKS HAD ERASED THE STATUS QUO. DEKLERIS, THE GREEK EX-  
PERT AT THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, CALLED ON AMBASSADOR  
DAVIES AND MADE AN IMPASSIONED PLEA THAT THE GREEKS HAVE NOT  
CHANGED THE CONSTITUTIONAL SITUATION, AND THAT THE TURKS  
SHOULD NOT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PROCEED WITH THE INTER-  
COMMUNAL TALKS. HE ARGUED THAT THE ABSENCE OF MAKARIOS

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REMOVED A MAJOR IMPEDIMENT TO AN AGREEMENT. DEKLERIS SAID

THAT CLERIDES HAD AGREED TO CONTINUE THE TALKS. AMBASSADOR DAVIES CALLED ON DENKTASH LATER IN THE DAY AND RELAYED THE SUBSTANCE OF DEKLERIS' POSITION. DENKTASH GAVE DEKLERIS' ASSURANCE SHORT-SHRIFT, MAINTAINING THE ONLY MEANS OF

RESOLVING THE CRISIS IS TURKISH INTERVENTION, PREFERABLY WITH BRITISH COOPERATION.

ANKARA: USDAO ANKARA REPORTS THAT ALL TURKISH MILITARY FORCES ARE ESSENTIALLY IN AN OPTIMUM POSITION TO CARRY OUT ANY DECISION THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT MAY MAKE. WITHIN THE NEXT 48 HOUR PERIOD THIS OPTIMUM POSTURE MAY TEND TO DECLINE DUE TO THE EXTENDED ALERT AND STANDBY OF EQUIPMENT.

ECEVIT'S PRESS STATEMENTS MADE UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN ANKARA WERE SLIGHTLY LESS PESSIMISTIC THAN STATEMENTS MADE UPON HIS DEPARTURE FROM LONDON. NONETHELESS HE WARNED IN ANKARA THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO WAIT 24 HOURS FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS. THIS 24 HOUR PERIOD IS UNDOUBTEDLY LINKED WITH THE SESSION OF PARLIAMENT SCHEDULED FOR THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 20. IT MAY ALSO BE LINKED WITH THE PRESENT STATE OF TURKISH MILITARY ALERT.

ATHENS: WE HAVE RECEIVED NO REPORTS OF UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OF GREEK MILITARY FORCES. UNDER SECRETARY SISCO DEPARTED LONDON FOR ATHENS FOR TALKS WITH GREEK POLITICAL LEADERS. HE WILL GO ON TO ANKARA IN THE EVENING OF JULY 19.

UNITED NATIONS: ACCORDING TO UNSYG WALDHEIM, ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS WILL BE THE FIRST SPEAKER AT THE SECURITY COUNCIL SESSION SCHEDULED FOR 3:00 P.M., JULY 19 (A PARTY OF DELEGATES FROM THE SAMPSON REGIME IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT JFK AIRPORT IN NEW YORK AT 4:30 P.M., JULY 19). IN A 65-MINUTE CONVERSATION WITH THE SYG, THE ARCHBISHOP WAS CALMER AND MORE REALISTIC THAN SOME OF THOSE ACCOMPANYING HIM -- E.G., WHEN CYPRUS PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE ROSSIDES SPOKE OF REINSTATEMENT, MAKARIOS SAID THIS WAS NOT THE BUSINESS OF THE UN. MAKARIOS WILL REPORTEDLY OFFER PROOF TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL THAT HIS OVERTHROW WAS THE RESULT OF DIRECT GREEK MILITARY INTERVENTION.

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THE FIVE POWER DRAFT RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FURTHER AMENDED TO DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE END TO FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION AND TO REQUEST IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN MILITARY PERSONNEL IN EXCESS OF THOSE ENVISAGED IN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS "AS REQUESTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS, ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS." INGERSOLL

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